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Applicant: Lowrey, et al Application Number: 09/276,273 Filing Date: March 25, 1999

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Title: ELECTRICALLY PROGRAMMABLE MEMORY ELEMENT WITH

IMPROVED CONTACTS

REQUEST FOR A FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for a period of FOUR MONTHS to respond to the Office Action dated July 23, 2002. This request is made under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). The period for response has expired on September 7, 2002 and is accordingly requested to be extended to January 7, 2003.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.17 in connection with this petition to Deposit Account No. 05-1068.

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